

Town of Howey-in-the-Hills

Marianne Beck Memorial Library Board Meeting

112 W Central Avenue

Date: November 3, 2022

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Jim Steele, chairman, at 7:03 pm

Attendance: Jim Steele, Tahsia O'Keefe, Gwendolyn McIlvaine, Pamela Szydluk, Beth Flack, Tara Hall,

Minutes: Motion was made to approve the minutes of September 1, 2022 and September 22, 2022 by Gwendolyn and seconded by Tahsia.

The **Library Director's Report** for October 2022 is noted.

New Business:

Updating Capital Improvement Plan

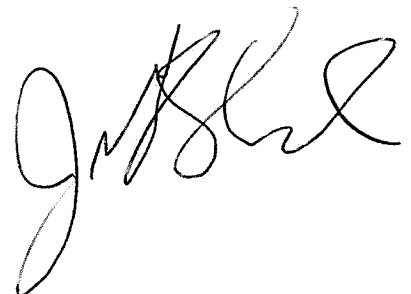
It was explained that to get a higher rating for receipt of impact fees, future plans for the library should be included on the capital improvement plan. The Library Board must approve to be included. Tahsia made a motion and Pamela seconded, with all remaining Board members agreeing, that the Library does wish to be added to capital improvements of the Town plan.

Discussion of Lake County Impact Fee Applications FY

This item was tabled for lack of information.

Christmas Festival and Library participation

Christmas Festival is planned for 12/9 and 12/10. The Library's participation, on 12/9, comprises of crafts at the library and a baked goods silent auction managed by The Friends of the Library. Other events on 12/9 include the tree lighting and story time with Santa Claus at the Town Hall. Events on 12/10 are being planned by The Howey Men's Club and consist of breakfast, lunch, a parade and a car show. A 5K race is also planned.

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Email Blast Lists

Discussion ensued on how best to disseminate information regarding Library events to the Library patrons. It is noted that information is posted on the Library facebook page, and a calender of events is available to anyone who comes into the library. Information is also posted to the County Library website, and to the Town website as able. Suggestions were given to ask patrons if they want to be on an email list, and to identify liaisons for Talichet and Venezia.

Library Advisory Board Appointee

Andy Hooten?, with Jim McIlvaine as alternate? A request for anyone interested in filling this position has been sent via Joshua Husseman on the Talichet facebook page. Contact is to be made with Tara for further information.

Old Business:

Grant Update

The home school collection was approved.

The laptops have been put in Koha. 35-40 applications for these laptops have been received. Distribution of the Chromebooks will begin next week to qualifying home school students. (per Library Director's Report)

Update on the FOL Meet and Greet

The Meet and Greet was very well attended and the FOL doubled membership that evening.

Friends of the Library Business

Friday, November 18 is the next 'Meet the Artist'. Featured is a local orthodontist.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:16 pm by Pamela Szydlik, seconded by Beth Flack

Submitted by Beth Flack

